

MONTHLY STATISTICAL SUMMARY



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AUSTRALIA

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POPULATION ESTIMATES

Whole State at 31.3.1960

Males - 372,427 Females - 354,912 Persons - 727,339

Metropolitan at 31.12.1959

Persons - 393,000

MARRIAGES, BIRTHS AND DEATHS

Particulars	JUNE				Six Months ended JUNE			
	1960		1959		1960		1959	
	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)	Number	Rate(a)
Marriages	350	5.85	342	5.79	2,793	7.72	2,805	7.83
Births	1,494	24.99	1,459	24.71	8,335	23.02	8,504	23.74
Deaths	527	8.81	464	7.86	2,697	7.45	2,676	7.47
Infant Mortality (b)	25	16.73	23	15.76	171	20.52	152	17.87

(a) Equivalent annual rate per 1,000 of population except for Infant Mortality which represents rate per 1,000 live births. (b) Deaths under one year.

DEATHS BY PRINCIPAL CAUSES

	JUNE		Six Months ended JUNE	
	1960	1959	1960	1959
Tuberculosis	5	1	18	12
Malignant neoplasms	81	72	447	459
Diabetes mellitus	3	3	26	22
Diseases of blood, etc.	4	3	11	10
Cerebral haemorrhage, etc.	55	51	291	316
Diseases of the heart	124	165	860	817
Hypertension with heart disease	17	13	62	62
Other hypertensive diseases	3	2	19	19
Arteriosclerosis	20	9	87	63
Influenza	-	14	5	71
Pneumonia	22	15	100	103
Bronchitis	10	5	42	37
Other respiratory diseases	8	6	28	25
Ulcer of stomach and duodenum	2	3	17	19
Gastro-enteritis and colitis	1	3	9	15
Chronic enteritis and ulcerative colitis	-	1	2	4
Cirrhosis of the liver	3	1	17	8
Nephritis and nephrosis	3	6	24	29
Disease of the prostate	3	7	22	27
Maternal causes	-	-	-	4
Diseases of early infancy	11	9	101	88
Motor vehicle accidents	15	20	107	92
Other accidents	11	11	89	100
Suicide	6	3	42	40
All other causes	60	40	271	234
Total:	527	464	2,697	2,676

LAND SETTLEMENT

Land taken up under conditional alienation during the seven months ended July, 1960, totalled 357,601 acres, a decrease of 235,283 acres compared with the corresponding period last year. Pastoral, special and miscellaneous leases registered during the same period amounted to 4,077,704 acres, a decrease of 6,158,894 acres compared with the corresponding period of 1959.

STATE GOVERNMENT CONSOLIDATED REVENUE AND EXPENDITURE

Item	JULY		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1960	1959	1960	1959
	£.	£.	£.	£.
Revenue	4,477,001	4,210,147	64,387,912	60,068,237
Revenue per Head of Population	6. 2. 7	5. 15. 5	88. 16. 3	84. 6. 8
Expenditure	5,418,825	5,491,467	65,793,726	61,752,970
Expenditure per Head of Population	7. 8. 5	7. 10. 6	90. 15. 0	86. 14. 0

SAVINGS BANKS

Depositors' Balances at the end of July, 1960 amounted to £79,014,024 or £102-2-8 per head of population as against £72,301,689 or £100-7-9 per head at the end of July, 1959.

BANK CLEARANCES

The average weekly clearance for the four weeks ended 27th July, 1960, amounted to £21,655,541 compared with £16,812,871 for the corresponding period last year.

REAL ESTATE TRANSACTIONS

Registrations effected at the Office of Land Titles and Deeds		JULY		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
		1960	1959	1960	1959
Transfers	No.	1,847	1,968	21,977	19,163
	£.	3,677,611	3,345,457	40,236,165	32,648,582
Mortgages	No.	1,413	1,399	16,528	14,942
	£.	3,395,927	2,802,797	37,074,495	29,456,885
Discharges of Mortgages	No.	1,034	1,175	12,884	11,200

SALES TAX: SALES OF TAXABLE AND EXEMPT GOODS

AND TAX COLLECTED

Period of Receipt of Returns	Taxable Goods		Sales of Exempt Goods	Tax Collected
	Sales in respect of which Tax is Payable (Net)	Sales in respect of which Tax is NOT Payable (Gross)		
	£.	£.	£.	£.
July, 1960	4,142,750	3,500,330	11,940,658	646,285
July, 1959	3,532,908	3,016,936	11,472,761	555,481
Twelve Months ended June, 1960	54,333,551	41,360,839	137,438,152	8,694,790
Twelve Months ended June, 1959	47,576,656	38,493,145	124,369,582	7,175,896

COMPANIES REGISTERED

42 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £2,333,000 and 20 Foreign Companies were registered during the month of July, 1960. Registrations for the corresponding period last year comprised 41 Local Companies with a nominal capital of £2,564,000 and 5 Foreign Companies.

BANKRUPTCY

Item	Month of JULY					
	1960			1959		
	No.	Liabilities	Assets	No.	Liabilities	Assets
		£.	£.		£.	£.
Sequestration Orders	10	18,143	3,118	10	10,274	1,424
Compositions, Assignments and Deeds of Arrangement(a)	7	14,708	13,612	3	16,208	37,415

(a) Under Parts XI and XII of Bankruptcy Act.

TRANSPORT

The operations of the State Government Railways, open for General and Passenger traffic, were as follows:-

Item	JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1960	1959	1960	1959
Gross Earnings (a) £.	1,353,264	1,235,503	15,038,264	13,699,803
Operating Expenses (a) £.	1,327,430	1,423,376	15,408,204	14,932,503
Train Miles Run No.	652,599	668,550	7,961,880	7,707,407
Motor Bus Miles Run No.	(b)271,990	(c)238,747	1,328,167	1,291,157
<u>Passenger Journeys -</u>				
Train No.	984,325	1,148,316	13,879,329	14,615,544
Motor Bus No.	18,667	17,383	260,625	261,874
<u>Tonnage Carried -</u>				
Paying Goods	389,119	355,581	4,371,535	3,764,648
Livestock	11,778	9,338	161,079	148,519
Departmental (Free Freight)	52,568	70,224	676,220	738,729
Total:	453,465	435,143	5,208,834	4,651,896
<u>Net Ton Milage of -</u>				
Paying Goods	63,031,785	59,326,887	684,344,088	612,871,158
Livestock	1,557,904	1,339,371	20,901,108	19,412,470
Departmental (Free Freight)	5,232,517	6,109,136	63,390,874	67,135,687
Total:	69,822,206	66,775,394	768,636,070	699,419,315

- (a) Includes operations of the Railway Road Service.
 (b) Eight weeks ended 30th June.
 (c) Nine weeks ended 30th June.

MOTOR VEHICLE REGISTRATIONS

(1) NEW VEHICLES REGISTERED

Period	Metropolitan Traffic Area					Whole State (a)				
	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars	Station Wagons	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1955	6,852	162	2,371	18	701	11,612	233	5,373	59	1,130
1956	5,219	97	1,759	24	724	9,067	169	4,413	85	1,057
1957	5,639	228	1,856	35	1,007	9,865	370	4,385	71	1,447
1958	5,794	762	1,942	15	1,306	9,548	1,290	4,784	43	1,860
1959	5,957	1,205	2,454	20	1,615	9,785	1,962	5,684	55	2,187
1959 -										
June	434	99	208	1	105	721	155	450	3	144
July	479	123	229	-	118	799	176	486	2	176
August	489	109	225	9	76	814	189	487	12	125
September	528	132	249	3	131	828	210	514	4	181
October	578	117	256	1	128	959	207	571	2	163
November	703	112	196	1	138	1,091	207	505	1	194
December	645	113	207	4	169	1,092	218	528	6	217
1960 -										
January	471	75	134	-	123	711	142	326	2	170
February	559	136	204	-	178	903	214	427	7	232
March	632	114	186	7	144	987	199	470	10	177
April	610	121	157	3	85	945	216	401	8	114
May	635	158	212	1	76	970	268	474	3	102
June	712	175	208	3	60	1,086	261	444	5	98

(2) MOTOR VEHICLES IN USE (EFFECTIVE REGISTRATIONS)

Date (as at end of Month)	Metropolitan Traffic Area				Whole State (a)			
	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles	Cars (including Station Wagons)	Utilities, Vans, Trucks	Buses	Motor Cycles
1957 -								
June	65,013	24,354	560	8,770	103,788	64,806	1,204	13,146
December	67,315	24,209	592	8,389	107,052	64,236	1,234	12,599
1958 -								
June	69,414	24,217	553	8,580	110,573	65,046	1,190	12,827
December	73,190	24,908	545	8,759	114,685	65,582	1,177	12,935
1959 -								
June	75,203	25,222	584	9,080	118,112	66,617	1,213	13,411
December	78,759	25,955	571	9,416	123,293	68,017	1,191	13,559
1960 -								
January	79,633	26,120	571	9,464	122,846	67,210	1,102	13,352
February	79,930	26,152	571	9,573	123,938	67,566	1,194	13,538
March	80,399	26,149	565	9,581	125,271	68,301	1,197	13,714
April	81,064	26,180	559	9,579	125,710	68,060	1,190	13,545
May	81,305	26,109	555	9,515	126,812	68,727	1,192	13,609
June	81,636	26,058	554	9,422	127,863	69,131	1,194	13,609

(a) Includes Commonwealth-owned vehicles other than those of Defence Services.

TRADE OF WESTERN AUSTRALIA (INTERSTATE AND OVERSEA)

Expressed in Terms of Australian Currency

Item	IMPORTS				EXPORTS (including Ships' Stores)			
	JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE		JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959
Oversea	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000	£'000
Interstate	4,729	2,781	46,180	44,986	8,638	6,174	119,810	91,801
	17,406	11,303	123,348	101,215	7,530	3,134	38,930	34,692
Total:	22,135	14,084	169,528	146,201	16,168	9,308	158,740	126,493

BUILDING ACTIVITY

(1) NEW BUILDINGS COMPLETED

Period	Dwellings				Factories		Other		Total	
	Owner-Built		By Contractors etc. (a)							
	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000	No.	Value £,000
1950	1,313	1,365	3,331	4,727	41	263	428	651	5,113	7,006
1951	1,913	2,835	4,137	6,969	40	459	433	986	6,523	11,249
1952	2,883	5,824	4,946	11,201	63	667	604	2,242	8,496	19,934
1953	2,988	7,219	4,839	12,624	84	817	714	3,657	8,625	24,317
1954	3,127	8,255	5,044	13,491	111	1,544	844	5,015	9,126	28,305
1955	2,788	8,194	6,422	18,091	129	3,405	933	6,900	10,272	36,590
1956	1,921	5,708	4,773	13,508	97	946	923	7,359	7,714	27,521
1957	1,401	4,086	4,748	13,680	100	1,110	714	6,450	6,963	25,326
1958	1,371	3,884	4,638	13,978	146	1,851	714	10,735	6,869	30,448
1959	1,452	3,880	4,657	14,134	138	986	731	9,376	6,978	28,376
1960 -										
March Qr.	290	749	1,088	3,372	34	323	164	1,950	1,576	6,394
June Qr.	299	844	1,377	4,107	47	291	181	2,843	1,904	8,085

(a) Comprises Government Day Labour as well as Private Contractor Operations and includes shop Dwellings, Flats and Other Residentials excluded from Table (2) below.

(2) HOUSE CONSTRUCTION

(includes Owner-Built Houses)

Period	Houses Completed - Classified According to Materials of Outer Walls									
	Brick, Stone, Cement, etc.		Wood or Mainly Wood		Fibro-Cement or Mainly Fibro-Cement		Other		Total	
	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000	No.	Value £'000
1950	1,709	2,882	337	311	2,262	2,572	55	48	4,363	5,813
1951	2,155	4,560	453	525	2,933	4,241	190	218	5,731	9,544
1952	3,006	8,097	745	1,609	3,844	6,678	135	263	7,730	16,647
1953	2,676	8,417	976	2,657	3,966	8,277	24	54	7,642	19,405
1954	2,865	9,767	214	530	4,823	10,833	4	4	7,906	21,134
1955	3,268	11,775	225	621	5,271	12,614	8	17	8,772	25,027
1956	3,017	10,491	62	175	2,964	6,864	4	9	6,047	17,539
1957	3,773	12,159	28	67	2,139	4,890	6	9	5,946	17,125
1958	3,764	12,501	41	115	1,935	4,547	3	4	5,743	17,167
1959	3,762	12,327	28	58	2,066	4,780	6	13	5,862	17,178
1960 -										
March Qr.	968	3,104	7	16	380	872	1	1	1,356	3,993
June Qr.	1,168	3,711	5	18	411	1,010	1	1	1,585	4,740

MINE PRODUCTION OF GOLD (a)

Item		JUNE		Six Months ended JUNE	
		1960	1959	1960	1959
Quantity	Fine oz.	78,696	80,369	416,500	413,084
Value (Aust. Currency)	£.	1,229,627	1,255,761	6,507,814	6,454,442
Dividends reported by Gold Mining Companies	£.	227,500	227,500	948,894	911,094

(a) Including gold contained in gold-bearing materials exported. Value is in terms of Australian currency, excluding amounts realized by the Gold Producers' Association Limited on sales of Western Australian gold and amount of subsidy paid by the Commonwealth Government.

2000-2001

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RETAIL PRICE INDEX NUMBERS

(Base of Each Series: Weighted Average of Six Capital Cities for 1923/27 = 1000)

Centre	Food and Groceries				"C" Series			
	JUNE Quarter		Twelve Months ended JUNE		JUNE Quarter		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960	1959	1960
Metropolitan Area	3078	3262	3010	3157	2803	2924	2772	2862
Kalgoorlie-Boulder	3304	3556	3252	3424	2698	2817	2678	2759
Northam	3131	3279	3104	3187	2728	2819	2717	2775
Bunbury	3085	3278	3070	3156	2825	2935	2800	2877
Geraldton	3329	3568	3268	3480	3051	3194	2995	3133
Collie	3210	3345	3175	3281	2549	2636	2536	2596

WAGE AND SALARY EARNERS IN CIVILIAN EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Excluding Wage Earners in Rural Industry, Female Private Domestic and Personnel in Defence Forces. Prior to December, 1959 excludes also National Service Trainees in camp.)

(Thousands)

Month	Males	Females	Persons	Month	Males	Females	Persons
<u>1958:</u>				<u>1959 (cont.):</u>			
July	138.7	45.7	184.4	July	140.1	47.0	187.1
August	139.0	45.9	184.9	August	139.9	46.9	186.8
September	139.7	46.3	186.0	September	140.7	47.3	188.0
October	140.0	46.4	186.4	October	141.0	47.6	188.6
November	139.7	46.6	186.3	November	141.1	48.2	189.3
December	140.1	46.9	187.0	December	140.8	48.2	189.0
<u>1959:</u>				<u>1960:</u>			
January	140.0	46.4	186.4	January	140.8	47.3	188.1
February	140.0	46.7	186.7	February	141.5	48.4	189.9
March	140.6	47.1	187.7	March	141.4	48.8	190.2
April	140.7	47.2	187.9	April	141.0	48.7	189.7
May	140.2	47.3	187.5	May	141.1	49.3	190.4
June	140.0	47.0	187.0	June	141.7	49.1	190.8

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1959 are subject to revision.

INDEX OF FACTORY EMPLOYMENT (a)

(Base: 1928/29 - 19,799 Employees = 100)

Month	1954	1955	1956	1957	1958	1959	1960
January	226	237	241	232	231	229	233
February	228	240	241	235	233	231	236
March	231	242	240	236	234	233	235
April	230	243	239	234	233	233	234
May	231	242	238	234	230	232	235
June	230	239	235	231	228	229	236
July	230	238	231	229	229	229	
August	230	239	230	229	229	230	
September	232	241	233	232	230	232	
October	233	241	233	232	232	233	
November	234	243	233	233	231	235	
December	233	242	232	232	231	234	

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1959 are subject to revision.

STATE BASIC WAGE

Date of Operation	Metropolitan Area		South-West Land Division		Goldfields and Rest of State	
	Male	Female	Male	Female	Male	Female
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
25/7/60	14. 12. 3	10. 19. 2	14. 9. 2	10. 16. 11	14. 5. 11	10. 14. 5

LIVESTOCK SLAUGHTERINGS AND MEAT PRODUCTION

(1) SLAUGHTERINGS (Number)

Period	Cattle	Calves	Sheep	Lambs	Pigs
June, 1960	25,103	1,829	117,865	55,939	12,664
June, 1959	24,850	2,145	106,925	37,544	11,754
12 Months ended June, 1960	215,515	27,184	1,766,712	826,879	173,791
12 Months ended June, 1959	217,796	31,194	1,598,047	817,255	196,656

(2) MEAT PRODUCTION (Tons)

Period	Beef	Veal	Mutton	Lamb	Pork(a)
June, 1960	5,745	63	2,284	783	717
June, 1959	5,347	79	1,984	472	608
12 Months ended June, 1960	45,017	1,025	31,271	11,406	9,623
12 Months ended June, 1959	44,197	1,193	29,590	11,285	9,992

(a) Includes pork for bacon and ham - see page 12.

ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS

(Note - Excludes non-casualty accidents where damage was estimated to be £10 or less)

The term "Metropolitan" refers to the Metropolitan Traffic Area.

Period	Non-Casualty Accidents (Damage over £10)		Casualty Accidents		Total Accidents Reported		Persons Killed		Persons Injured	
	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State	Metro-politan	Whole State
1954	5,072	6,896	2,415	3,289	7,487	10,185	96	185	3,028	4,309
1955	5,878	7,907	2,237	3,158	8,115	11,065	110	199	2,669	3,987
1956	5,866	7,961	2,161	3,036	8,027	10,997	102	182	2,653	3,889
1957	6,150	8,343	2,244	3,220	8,394	11,563	87	152	2,733	4,068
1958	6,614	8,691	2,412	3,451	9,026	12,142	80	183	2,990	4,478
1959	6,349	8,492	2,474	3,521	8,823	12,013	86	171	3,135	4,624
6 Months ended June, 1959	2,975	4,024	1,210	1,721	4,185	5,745	42	86	1,514	2,230
6 Months ended June, 1960	3,316	4,416	1,343	1,856	4,659	6,272	49	95	1,653	2,394
1960 -										
January	525	713	208	283	733	996	8	18	273	376
February	495	671	213	293	708	964	4	12	256	362
March	576	764	231	314	807	1,078	11	21	281	409
April	503	683	226	316	729	999	9	15	279	418
May	639	837	251	342	890	1,179	11	15	309	442
June	578	748	214	308	792	1,056	6	14	255	387

AVERAGE FRUIT AND VEGETABLE PRICES (METROPOLITAN MARKETS)

Note - The average prices shown in this table have been computed from a systematic sample of auctioneers' records of fruit and vegetables sold on the auction floor at each sale conducted at the Metropolitan Markets. Where the volume of sales of a particular commodity in any month outside its recognized season does not reach a significant proportion of sales for the year, a price has not been shown.

Item	Unit	1959						1960						
		July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
FRUIT		s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Lemons	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	13. 0	10. 2	12.10	12. 6	11. 6	11. 2	11. 3	12. 8	14. 0	14. 1	10. 6	10. 5	9. 7
Oranges - Navel	bush.	27. 8	29. 2	32. 7	40. 3	-	-	-	-	-	34. 6	24. 1	20. 7	20. 2
- Val.	bush.	-	25. 6	28. 0	28. 8	28. 4	29. 0	35. 1	38. 9	34. 4	33. 6	-	-	-
Bananas - Local	lb.	1. 1	1. 2	1. 1	1. 4	1. 1	1. 0	1. 0	10	11	10	1. 2	-	-
Apples - G.Smith	bush.	25. 2	25. 5	32. 9	38. 6	40. 7	38. 7	44. 3	-	15.10	15. 7	18. 2	22. 9	27. 7
- Other	bush.	24. 9	26.10	29. 5	34. 4	42. 6	49.10	37. 6	24.11	22. 4	24.10	24. 9	27. 9	40. 3
Pears	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	23.10	27. 0	27.11	-	-	-	-	26. 8	23. 3	22. 6	18. 0	22. 4	25. 5
Apricots	bush.	-	-	-	-	32.11	38.10	42.11	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nectarines	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	-	33. 0	29. 0	-	-	-	-	-
Plums	bush.	-	-	-	-	-	46. 2	30.11	36. 3	29. 8	31.11	-	-	-
Peaches	bush.	-	-	-	-	22.10	27. 8	34. 6	28. 9	26. 5	-	-	-	-
Grapes	$\frac{1}{4}$ bush.	-	-	-	-	-	26. 4	28. 4	29. 0	27. 4	26. 7	28. 7	-	-
VEGETABLES														
Cabbage	crate (a)	6. 4	5. 2	5. 2	6. 3	7. 6	6. 2	4. 1	4. 7	5. 5	10. 4	18. 5	16. 8	6.11
Cauliflowers	dozen	13. 8	9. 4	16. 5	16. 9	14. 2	-	-	15. 7	19. 1	12.11	19.10	15. 4	12. 0
Lettuce	crate	9.10	11. 3	13. 4	11. 4	11. 9	6. 0	6.11	9. 4	8. 3	8. 3	7. 3	6.10	9. 5
Table Celery	doz. head	6. 6	6. 9	7. 5	9. 2	8. 7	7.10	6. 8	10. 2	10. 9	9. 5	7. 1	5.11	5.10
Beetroot	cwt.	21.10	22. 8	26. 1	24. 1	22. 8	25. 6	20.11	31. 5	27. 2	34. 2	42.11	54. 7	62. 5
Carrots	cwt.	24. 6	25. 1	28. 6	61. 4	57. 5	23.11	17. 1	19. 0	18. 6	17.11	18. 8	17. 9	21. 2
Parsnips	cwt.	64. 2	45.11	46. 6	44.11	47. 1	46.10	38. 2	35. 5	37. 0	32. 7	27.11	26. 2	37. 8
Turnips	$\frac{1}{2}$ cwt.bag	5.10	4. 4	5. 0	4. 8	9. 3	7. 0	5. 0	6.11	7. 9	11.11	21. 0	11.11	12. 5
Swedes	cwt.	30. 3	29. 7	27. 4	29. 6	44.10	49. 9	25. 9	22.10	33. 6	26.10	29. 9	22. 5	25. 9
Runner Beans	lb.	1. 3	1. 3	1. 5	1. 6	9	8	5	5	6	9	1. 9	1. 6	1. 5
Peas	lb.	1. 9	1. 0	1. 0	1. 0	11	1. 2	1. 5	1. 4	1. 8	1. 5	1. 4	1. 6	1. 9
Sweet Potatoes	lb.	6	6	7	9	10	8	11	6	5	4	4	4	4
Pumpkin	bag	19. 2	29. 6	36. 1	43. 1	60. 6	42. 5	23. 9	17.11	14. 7	15.11	21. 6	21. 1	22. 5
Tomatoes	$\frac{3}{4}$ bush.	28. 3	35.11	28. 3	21. 5	18. 2	15. 9	19. 1	18. 6	15. 9	16. 3	23. 3	32. 5	28. 4
		£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.	£. s.d.
Onions (b)	ton	(c)	(c)	(c)	(c)	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	55. 0.0	60. 0.0	60. 0.0	60. 0.0	60. 0.0	60. 0.0	52.10.0
Potatoes (d)	ton	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0	37.15.0

(a) 50 lb. crate.

(b) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area.

(c) Onion Pool closed.

(d) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R. Perth.

- (b) W.A. Onion Marketing Board's price to Merchants delivered Metropolitan Area.
(c) Onion Pool closed.
(d) W.A. Potato Marketing Board's price to Merchants F.O.R. Perth.

AVERAGE PRICES PER HEAD OF LIVESTOCK - GOOD QUALITY - SOLD AT THE MIDLAND JUNCTION SALEYARDS

Item	1959						1960						
	July	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.	Jan.	Feb.	Mar.	Apr.	May	June	July
	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.	£. s. d.
SHEEP													
Suckers	4.10. 5	3.12. 7	2.14.11	2.12. 5	2. 9. 1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.17. 1
Lambs													
In Wool	4. 6. 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3.19. 6	4. 7. 0	3.19.11	3.16. 8
Shorn	3. 9. 4	-	-	2. 1.10	2. 4. 6	2.12. 2	2.18.11	3. 5. 8	3.13. 8	3. 2. 2.	3. 9. 6	3. 2. 4	2.17. 7
Hoggets													
In Wool	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3. 9.11	4. 1. 2	3.14. 7	-
Shorn	-	-	-	-	-	2.10. 7	2.16. 9	2.17. 0	3. 8. 8	-	-	-	-
Ewes													
In Wool	3. 3. 3	3. 6.10	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2.16. 2	3. 6. 8	3. 8. 1	3. 6. 5
Shorn	1.14.11	1.16. 2	1. 6. 4	1. 3. 4	1. 3. 9	1.11. 3	1.14.11	1.19. 8	2. 5. 8	1.16. 5	1.19.11	2. 8.11	2. 3. 9
Wethers													
In Wool	3.12. 1	3.13. 9	2.18. 5	-	-	-	-	-	-	3. 9. 7	3.14.11	3.16.11	3.13. 9
Shorn	2. 7. 8	2. 2. 3	1.14. 6	1.13. 7	1.13.10	2. 2. 0	2.11. 8	2.14. 9	2.17. 3	2. 0.11	2.10. 7	2.14. 0	2.10. 4
CATTLE													
Baby Beef	37. 7.11	36. 7. 1	31.10. 1	29.17. 1	30. 1. 9	30. 0. 9	31.16.10	33.18.11	36. 2. 9	40. 5. 6	40. 8.11	42.15. 2	41. 4. 3
Heifers	44.17. 2	42.19. 9	40. 9. 4	35. 8.10	36. 5. 5	37. 0. 6	38.11. 6	-	43.13. 2	51. 7. 9	47.10. 0	43.10. 2	-
Cows	48.14. 0	47. 7. 3	45. 2.10	42. 9. 7	44. 9. 3	44.19. 1	47. 8. 9	50. 6.10	53. 8. 5	56. 2. 4	56. 5.11	50.16. 5	48.12. 9
Steers	49. 4. 8	50. 2. 9	45. 4. 1	44.15. 6	44.17. 4	46. 5. 5	49.13. 8	51.13. 7	53.17. 9	59.16. 8	53.12. 6	52.13. 4	49. 9. 6
Bullocks	-	56.15. 2	51. 7.10	51. 4. 2	52. 2.10	53. 6. 2	-	-	-	69. 4. 0	61.17. 9	60.10.11	61. 5. 1
PIGS													
Slips	6.18. 5	7.15. 1	6.15.10	5. 8. 2	6.15. 5	7. 3. 2	7. 1.10	6. 9. 4	6.18. 9	7. 9. 2	5. 8. 4	6.11. 1	-
Porkers	10.15. 0	11.12. 8	12.13. 0	12. 7. 6	11.14. 7	11.17. 2	11. 4. 3	11.17.10	11.13. 5	11.19. 4	10.17. 5	11.10. 4	11. 0. 2
Baconers	16. 0.11	17. 9. 4	20. 4. 4	20. 5. 9	18.14. 0	18. 9. 2	18. 7. 3	17. 6. 0	16.17. 8	17. 0. 3	16. 3. 2	16.14. 1	16.18. 1

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RETAIL HIRE PURCHASE OPERATIONS OF FINANCE BUSINESSES - NEW AGREEMENTS MADE (a)

Period	Motor Vehicles, Tractors, etc.			Plant and Machinery			Household and Personal Goods(b)			Total (All Goods)			Total Balances Outstanding at end of each period (e)
	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	Agree- ments Made	Total Value of Goods(c)	Amount Financed (d)	
	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	No.	£'000	£'000	£'000
1954-55	21,679	14,645	8,505	745	604	387	49,831	3,835	3,091	72,255	19,084	11,983	14,151
1955-56	21,810	14,644	9,133	821	531	334	57,592	4,484	3,674	80,223	19,659	13,141	15,388
1956-57	20,790	13,524	8,325	1,385	963	604	60,417	4,338	3,523	82,592	18,825	12,452	15,488
1957-58	26,321	18,176	11,263	1,829	1,542	1,081	64,214	4,811	3,880	92,364	24,529	16,224	19,052
1958-59	26,998	18,216	11,264	2,145	1,782	1,167	51,842	4,175	3,347	80,985	24,173	15,778	20,779
1958 - June	2,078	1,409	874	102	75	57	4,927	323	267	7,107	1,807	1,198	19,052
July	2,252	1,472	908	112	58	41	4,513	311	250	6,877	1,841	1,199	19,160
August	2,050	1,323	815	101	116	90	4,294	302	246	6,445	1,741	1,151	19,363
September	2,234	1,523	945	146	117	77	4,406	346	276	6,786	1,986	1,298	19,605
October	2,602	1,673	1,037	234	230	143	5,035	387	321	7,871	2,290	1,501	20,107
November	2,283	1,645	1,024	324	367	234	4,881	402	328	7,488	2,414	1,586	20,708
December	2,355	1,593	992	190	174	110	6,086	494	402	8,631	2,261	1,504	21,201
1959 - January	2,343	1,512	952	114	62	43	4,592	480	360	7,049	2,054	1,355	21,308
February	2,140	1,441	893	139	111	71	3,532	325	254	5,811	1,877	1,218	20,570
March	2,122	1,569	956	188	143	95	3,653	280	228	5,963	1,992	1,279	20,526
April	2,262	1,598	977	274	204	129	3,817	313	251	6,353	2,115	1,357	20,699
May	2,178	1,455	896	192	123	82	3,833	272	221	6,203	1,850	1,199	20,818
June	2,177	1,412	869	131	77	52	3,200	263	210	5,508	1,752	1,131	20,779
July	2,213	1,562	952	139	97	63	3,374	297	232	5,726	1,956	1,247	20,878
August	2,282	1,641	1,026	132	87	61	3,660	284	229	6,074	2,012	1,316	21,107
September	2,446	1,596	1,002	174	145	89	3,790	360	292	6,410	2,101	1,383	21,407
October	2,620	1,822	1,154	354	352	223	3,663	356	288	6,637	2,530	1,665	21,991
November	2,687	1,987	1,231	445	534	335	3,871	427	344	7,003	2,948	1,910	22,892
December	2,889	2,165	1,360	221	224	138	4,709	461	368	7,819	2,850	1,866	23,633
1960 - January	2,530	1,581	996	152	109	67	3,831	486	385	6,513	2,176	1,448	23,716
February	2,514	1,733	1,086	181	126	82	3,410	456	363	6,105	2,315	1,531	22,865
March	2,756	1,987	1,229	263	155	98	4,234	562	462	7,253	2,724	1,789	23,279
April													23,602
May													24,282

(a) Figures relate to businesses which finance the sale of goods by retail but do not retail goods themselves. (b) Includes furniture and furnishings, domestic refrigerators, electrical goods, radios, musical instruments, bicycles and other household and personal goods. (c) Value at net cash or list price (excluding hiring charges and insurance). (d) Excludes hiring charges and insurance. (e) Includes hiring charges and insurance.

RETAIL SALES CLASSIFIED ACCORDING TO COMMODITY GROUPS

(£ million)

Period (a)	Groceries	Butchers' Meat	Other Food- Stuffs, Soft Drinks	Beer, Wine and Spirits	Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings	Foot- wear	Hardware, China and Glass- ware (b)	Elect- rical Goods, Pianos, etc.	Furniture, Floor Coverings, Mattresses	Chem- ists' Goods	News- papers, Books, Station- ery	Other Goods (c)	Total (excl. Motor Vehicles, etc.)	Motor Veh- icles, Trac- tors, Parts, Petrol, etc. (d)
1948-49	10.8	4.0	7.1	8.5	12.6	1.7	3.8	2.4	3.0	1.6	1.7	7.5	64.7	13.7
1952-53	20.7	8.2	13.7	14.4	20.5	3.6	9.3	6.1	5.2	3.2	3.3	18.2	126.4	37.3
1956-57	26.2	11.3	18.6	17.6	24.2	3.9	10.1	7.5	6.1	4.6	4.4	21.3	155.8	49.3
1957-58	27.4	12.0	19.4	19.5	28.6(e)	(e)	10.1	8.2	6.5	(f)	(f)	31.8(f)	163.5	56.3
1958-59	28.8	11.2	19.5	18.4	24.9	4.2	10.9	8.6	6.6	5.6	4.8	21.3	164.8	55.3
Sept. Qr.														
1956	6.6	2.9	4.4	3.8	6.6(e)	(e)	2.4	1.6	1.5	(f)	(f)	6.6(f)	36.4	11.5
1957	6.6	3.1	4.5	4.2	6.7(e)	(e)	2.5	1.9	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.0(f)	38.1	13.6
1958	7.0	2.8	4.6	4.0	5.9	1.0	2.5	1.9	1.6	1.3	1.1	4.4	38.1	13.0
1959	7.5	2.9	5.0	4.2	6.3	1.1	2.7	2.4	1.7	1.4	1.1	4.5	40.8	14.7
Dec. Qr.														
1956	6.7	2.8	4.8	4.7	8.2(e)	(e)	2.7	2.3	1.6	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	41.6	12.5
1957	7.2	3.0	5.0	5.3	8.5(e)	(e)	2.9	2.6	1.8	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	44.4	14.7
1958	7.6	2.8	5.0	5.2	7.1	1.2	3.1	2.9	1.8	1.5	1.3	5.2	44.7	14.1
1959	8.0	2.9	5.6	5.2	7.8	1.3	3.3	3.4	2.1	1.6	1.4	5.5	48.1	17.0
March Qr.														
1956	6.4	2.6	4.8	4.6	5.8(e)	(e)	2.3	2.1	1.4	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	37.8	12.7
1957	6.3	2.7	4.7	4.9	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	1.8	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.1(f)	38.4	12.1
1958	6.7	2.9	5.0	5.4	6.0(e)	(e)	2.4	2.0	1.5	(f)	(f)	8.5(f)	40.4	14.0
1959	7.0	2.7	5.2	5.0	5.1	0.9	2.6	2.0	1.5	1.3	1.2	5.6	40.1	13.9
1960	7.5	2.8	5.8	5.2	5.9	1.0	2.9	3.3	1.9	1.4	1.3	6.3	45.3	16.6
June Qr.														
1956	6.7	2.8	4.3	3.7	7.3(e)	(e)	2.5	1.5	1.4	(f)	(f)	7.5(f)	37.7	11.1
1957	6.6	2.9	4.7	4.2	7.3(e)	(e)	2.6	1.8	1.5	(f)	(f)	7.8(f)	39.4	13.2
1958	6.9	3.0	4.9	4.6	7.4(e)	(e)	2.3	1.7	1.6	(f)	(f)	8.2(f)	40.6	14.0
1959	7.2	2.9	4.7	4.2	6.8	1.1	2.7	1.8	1.7	1.5	1.2	6.1	41.9	14.3
1960	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	(g)	47.0	(g)

(a) Figures subsequent to June, 1957 are subject to revision. (b) Excludes basic building materials (e.g. Timber, Building Sheets, Tiles, Joinery, Cement). (c) Includes Tobacco, Cigarettes, Grain and Produce, Jewellery, Office Equipment, etc. (d) Excludes Farm Machinery and Implements, Earth-moving Equipment, etc. (e) Footwear is included with Clothing, Drapery, Soft Furnishings. (f) Chemists' Goods and Papers, Books, Stationery are included with Other Goods. (g) Not yet available.

MONTHLY PRODUCTION STATISTICS

Item	Unit	JUNE		Twelve Months ended JUNE	
		1960	1959	1960	1959 (a)
<u>Building Materials, etc.</u>					
Bath Heaters - solid fuel	number	774	548	6,187	5,609
Bricks - Clay (b)	'000	9,219	7,840	101,186	93,718
Fibrous Plaster Sheets	'000 sq.yd.	165	111	1,523	1,349
Lime (Quicklime)	ton	1,710	1,777	23,755	22,983
Ready Mixed Paints and Enamels excluding Water Paints	gallon	25,683	23,338	366,731	302,229
Tiles, Roofing - Cement	'000	325	540	5,671	5,740
Timber - Sawn (from Local Logs) (c)	'000 sup.ft.	17,224	19,886	201,809	211,832
<u>Clothing</u>					
Blazers - Men's and Boys'	number	1,459	1,372	12,108	10,986
Pyjamas, Woven - Men's and Boys'	dozen	827	855	11,586	12,900
Shirts (all types) Men's and Boys'	"	4,599	3,618	59,761	54,125
Suits - Men's - 3 piece	number	27	64	537	630
- 2 piece	"	1,428	1,192	17,203	14,994
Trousers - Men's - Sport	"	6,340	5,285	75,510	59,684
- Work	"	10,056	15,035	180,904	160,206
<u>Footwear</u>					
Boots, Shoes and Sandals (all types)	pair	46,289	45,142	593,931	566,970
Slippers	"	12,811	24,718	163,544	233,762
<u>Food and Drink</u>					
Aerated Waters	'000 gallon	159	159	4,330	4,386
Cordials and Syrups	gallon	5,430	6,633	191,157	226,350
Bacon and Ham	'000 lb.	448	553	6,758	6,619
Butter	"	1,514	1,232	16,599	13,813
Cheese	"	250	232	3,229	2,645
<u>Miscellaneous</u>					
Acid - Acetic	cwt.	328	534	7,052	6,585
- Sulphuric	ton	19,480	9,767	224,695	192,077
Coal	"	90,826	87,131	908,474	905,526
Electricity Generated	'000 kwh.	83,240	74,588	926,627	876,169
Gas Produced	million cub.ft.	134	122	1,433	1,418
Mattresses - Inner Spring	number	2,711	2,768	38,074	33,613
- Woven Wire(d)	"	5,181	955	24,398	26,669
- Soft Filled	"	2,305	2,315	34,510	33,782
Motor Vehicle Bodies - Truck Trays	"	86	44	704	474
Pig Iron	ton	4,508	3,428	47,534	24,330
Superphosphate	"	63,858	31,125	629,040	529,799
Wool - Scoured	'000 lb.	2,555	2,834	33,636	28,199

- (a) Final figures.
 (b) Includes Fancy Bricks, Brickettes, Squints, Bullnoses, etc.
 (c) Includes plywood veneers in terms of super feet.
 (d) Includes mattresses made and incorporated in folding beds and stretchers.

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